

**Subject** County cost of care for state-operated facility services

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## Overview

This bill modifies the circumstances under which the commissioner may recover the cost of care from clients in state-operated facilities (regional treatment centers, state nursing homes, and state-operated, community-based programs), and allows for a state agency hearing if a county disputes the state-operated facility cost of care, under specified circumstances.

## Summary

Section	Description
1	<p><b>Applicability.</b> Amends § 246.51, subd. 3.</p> <p>Specifies that the commissioner cannot recover any state-operated facility cost of care amount that the county is disputing, under section 256.045, subdivision 3, paragraph (a), clause (15).</p>
2	<p><b>State agency hearings.</b> Amends § 256.045, subd. 3.</p> <p>Adds to the list of available state agency hearings, that a county can dispute the cost of care in a state-operated facility based on delayed client discharge caused by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) lack of notice to the county that the client no longer met the criteria for the facility;</li><li>(ii) a determination that the client no longer met criteria for the facility on a weekend or holiday;</li><li>(iii) disagreement between the facility and the county about the county's discharge plan; or</li><li>(iv) incomplete paperwork.</li></ul>

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	Requires the commissioner to conduct ongoing meetings with county representatives to address the lack of available beds for individuals who meet the criteria for safety net services.



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